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## PUBLIC NOTICE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, DIVISION OF OIL AND GAS 2013-2018 NORTH SLOPE GENERAL PERMIT RENEWAL

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Oil and Gas (Division), has submitted an application to renew the North Slope General Permit for a five-year period, with effective dates of March 1, 2013 to February 28, 2018. The Division is providing public notice and an opportunity to comment under 38.05.035(e)(1)(C)(ii).

The existing General Permit took effect on March 1, 2011 and will expire on February 28, 2013. Implementation of the General Permit provided an effective mechanism for the Division to track minimal and routine maintenance activities conducted by companies within a unit on the North Slope. The General Permit saves staff time and allows companies to complete maintenance and routine field work as needed in a timely manner.

The General Permit benefits both the Division and companies by streamlining application and processing times, and associated costs, for routine and maintenance activities. Reporting requirements allow the Division to track these routine activities and maintain the related administrative records. Overall, the General Permit further improves efficient permit processing thereby increasing available staff time for review of projects whose scopes are larger and more complex.

The application package is available for review at the Division of Oil and Gas, Permitting Section, 550 West 7th Avenue, Suite 800, Anchorage, or online at <a href="http://www.dog.dnr.alaska.gov/Permitting/Permitting.htm#permittingnotices">http://www.dog.dnr.alaska.gov/Permitting/Permitting.htm#permittingnotices</a>

Please send your comments by e-mail to <u>dog.permitting@alaska.gov</u>, or by mail to the above address. Only persons who comment in writing during the public comment period will be eligible to file an administrative appeal or to request reconsideration of the final decision (11 AAC 02.010). A copy of the final decision will be sent to any person who provides written comments.

## The deadline for comments is 4:30 p.m. on February 20, 2013

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